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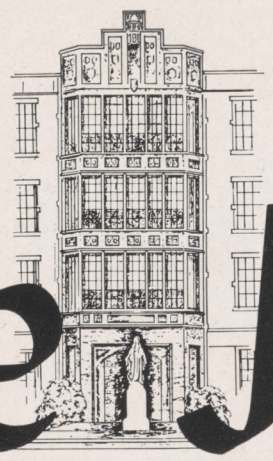

# The Jamesonian

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## Kennedy Gravesite Will Be Highlight of Capital Trip

Under the direction of Brother Charles Felix, the annual trip to Washington will be conducted Friday, March 13, through Sunday, March 15. Approximately ninety Loughlinites will be accompanied by members of the faculty for the weekend tour of the nation's capital.

The trip will take in such sites as the White House, the Library of Congress, the National Shrine of Our Lady and the Capitol Building. The group will participate in Sunday Mass at the Franciscan Monastery.

### Two Changes

In previous years the Washington Trips have been a hectic round of site-seeing. This year, the trip committee of Ralph Finno, Tom Mood and Vinny Giordano are planning two major changes. Instead of touring numerous sites, the students will visit only the highlights of the city, absorbing these sites thoroughly. Secondly, accommodations have been switched from the Ambassador Hotel to the Albert Pick Motor Inn, since the motel is in the heart of Washington.

### Memorial Wreath

The major event and stop on the trip will be the visit to the grave of our late President Kennedy. A student representative of the school, will place a memorial wreath at the grave, on behalf of the entire school. A Spiritual Bouquet to be signed by the student body and faculty will be placed next to the wreath. It is hoped that these will be put in the Kennedy Library which is being built in the president's memory.

## Scholarship Lectures Prepare Qualified Juniors For Regents

As the second semester unfolds, a select group of juniors will once again take part in the Junior Scholarship Enrichment Lectures. Under the direction of Bro. Denis, the moderator, the weekly discourses commenced in the auditorium on Tuesday, February 11, and will continue through May 27.

Although the first assembly was attended by the entire Junior class, the ensuing lectures will be attended only by those students who have maintained a scholastic average of 85%. During the eleven weeks of the lectures, emphasis will be placed on English, mathematics and the Arts.

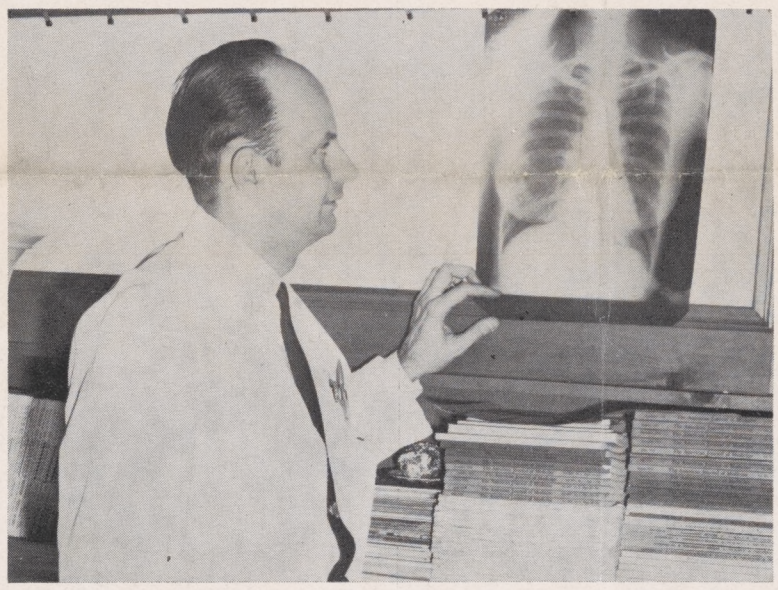
### Enrichment Of Present Knowledge

The enrichment of present knowledge rather than exploration of new fields is the purpose of the lectures. Delivering the lectures will be Brothers and lay teachers from the faculty, specifically trained in particular subject areas. Two review books, Barron's "You Can Win a College Scholarship" and "How To Take the College Boards" will be required for collateral reference.

## Assembly Honors Dr. Avvocato For His Service To Loughlin

Twelve years of dedicated service on the part of Dr. Roy Avvocato, as a school physician, was recognized by the faculty and students at a school assembly, Thursday, February 6.

At the assembly, which had as its guest, the Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Rev. William Scanlon, Dr. Avvocato was given a doctor's bag and four dozen golf balls, as a gift of the student body.



DR. AVVOCATO examines one of his patients x-rays in his Brooklyn office.

In addition, he was named an official benefactor of the Christian Brothers. This means that Dr. Avvocato will be able to share in the graces and blessings bestowed upon the Brothers in view of their apostolic endeavors.

In his twelve years at Loughlin, Dr. Avvocato has looked after the health of numerous students. He has supervised T.B. tests, the administration of Salk and oral vaccines and has kept a file on every student at Loughlin.

When he is not looking after Loughlinites, Dr. Avvocato spends time at the Caledonian and Coney Island Hospitals, at which latter he is head of the clinic.

## Seven Editors Observe Press Month By Attending St. Francis Workshop

Seven Jamesonian editors participated in the Fifth Annual Journalism Workshop, sponsored by the Brooklyn Tablet and The Press Club, at St. Francis College, February 17, in observance of Catholic Press Month. During the presentations, four former Loughlinites were cited for their fine writing abilities.

### Most Awards

Each year, the T. Francis Bennett Awards are presented to those students whose entries in the Tablet's Teen Notebook are judged exceptional. Loughlin was rewarded with four winners: B. Brennan, for his prose composition; V. Pagano, for his humorous "Limericks"; A. Paris and E. Hickey, in the field of poetry. Of the twenty-seven awards given, Loughlin received the most awards.

### Series of Lectures

A series of lectures on editing, sports and news writing, and business management was given to those interested. Along with the literary afternoon, a lunch was served in the college cafeteria. Journalism literature was made available gratis to the students and teachers attending the course.

The editors attending were: C. Hanley, R. Fuessler, W. O'Connor, B. Becker, S. Pratnicki, T. Quinn and R. Matthews.

## Seniors Win 179 Scholarships As Brother Stephen Announces Names At School Assembly

**120—WINNERS 57—ALTERNATES 2—VETERANS**

The results of the NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF REGENTS SCHOLARSHIP TEST, taken by the senior class in October, were announced by BROTHER BASIL STEPHEN, Principal, February 18, 1964, before an enthusiastic assembly of the student body.

This year's total of one hundred and twenty full scholarships and fifty-seven alternate scholarships surpassed the output of last year's seniors and was second in quantity only to the Class of 1962.

BROTHER STEPHEN expressed his gratification to the full scholarship winners and also to the boys chosen as alternates for NEW YORK REGENTS SCHOLARSHIPS who received scores high enough to give them the chance of winning a scholarship. The alternates keep their alternate status all through college and may receive the scholarship at any time. Brother also commended the faculty for the part it always plays in the molding of a scholarship winner and again, in the faculty's name, commended the recipients on the goal they had achieved.

NEW YORK STATE SCHOLARSHIPS were won by:

C. Hanley, K. Lanfear, E. Conway, J. Castora, S. Morena, T. O'Connell, F. Szostek, G. Schlecht, M. Nolan, J. Huegel, F. Cannito, T. Franz, J. Skolnik, T. Brennan, J. FitzGibbon, T. Moylan, C. Meyer, T. McHugh, L. Sullivan, D. Donohue, J. Hutchinson, J. McKernan, J. Romano, M. Wittmann, J. Lehmann, R. O'Brien, K. Schreifels, R. Stolting, P. Sawchuk, R. Brady, G. Doerr, R. Visconti, M. Graney, A. Policastro, J. Cilento, R. Spedalere, J. Koehler, J. Landers, W. Myers, M. Guerra, W. Reedy, G. Davis, W. Ryan, T. Burke, W. Clauss, W. Kavanagh, C. Leikauf, J. Dreseris, R. Hanna, C. McCartin, J. Siegel, B. Williamson, C. Bensi, P. Peterson, G. Realmuto, W. Haldenwang, J. Jablonowski, T. Breslin, P. Larkin, R. Buckley, G. Grace, A. Henry, R. DeLuca, P. Dewey, P. Neumann, C. Sherwood, R. Miller, T. Mood, J. Rayher, E. Faranda, P. Kochis, J. Meaney, T. Sobieski, W. Becker, D. Driscoll, M. Molloy, F. Best, A. Casagrande, R. Carroll, E. Westemeier, K. Cribbin, T. Helminski, S. Dzielak, J. Coffey, J. White, A. Mathieu, M. Lennon, B. Maguire, D. Hoare, F. Tauches, T. Straczynski, D. Flynn, P. Zeller, W. Kuciej, G. Battaglia, R. Reinertson, R. Deeney, T. Ingargiola, W. Vahaly, J. Dwyer, D. Reilly, R. Galak, E. Murchie, M. Varone, F. Orawiec, J. Giunta, A. Giambalvo, T. Killip, R. McElhearn, P. Serao, A. Maganzini, C. Grossarth, R. Reed, K. Pietrzak, P. Mongan, R. Vaskas, R. Garcia, T. Mellett, K. Rohan, F. Smisek.

Alternate status was obtained by the following:

E. Browne, M. Manley, J. Lawrence, R. Ferguson, S. Schawaroch, J. Stritzl, D. Christy, D. LaMagna, K. Lovasz, J. Harding, R. Fuessler, P. Camilleri, J. Schmidt, S. Pratnicki, D. Mroczkowski, J. Gasparino, V. Nowakowski, J. VerEecke, F. Baxter, R. Fernandez, V. Cassara, T. May, F. Monteleone, J. Moore, R. VanWicklen, D. Gilroy, J. Broderick, R. Whelan, A. Smirnow, P. Mohan, C. McGuire, A. Arenth, W. Phillips, G. Rotberg, P. Gucciardi, J. Aquaro, G. Platt, C. Kubat, R. Beirne, J. Burns, T. Hanley, R. Sinacore, F. Benner, J. Freeman, W. Bennia, T. Olszewski, A. Carlo, T. Palma, J. Molbeck, F. Castellano, J. Kibalo, R. Roventini, J. Fuller, J. Esposito, M. Calimano, R. Lowe, W. O'Connor.

Also two VETERAN SCHOLARSHIPS were won by W. Hughes and F. Schultz.

## Kenya Missions Recipients Of Benilde Club Book Drive

Loughlin's Benilde Club, formed seven years ago by our Principal, Brother Stephen, recently collected four crates of books for use by the Brothers in their mission in Kenya. This club, dedicated to encouraging vocations, is composed of 120 members, including Mr. Wallace, whose membership is honorary due to his outstanding religious work and qualifications.

Other activities sponsored by the Benilde Club are: the annual stamp drive, which this year netted over 2,000 stamps; the Tablet sales, and the Christmas Raffle. The governing body of the club, called the executive council, meets every two weeks. At the last meeting, February 19, the topic discussed was: "Is the Catholic press conservative?"

### Executive Commiftee

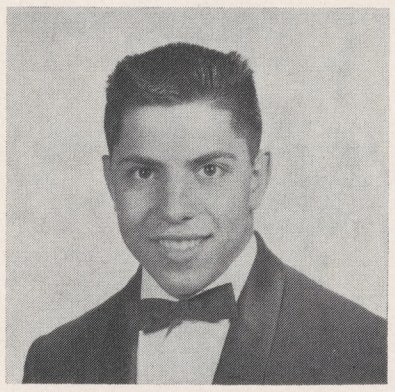
The executives of the Benilde Club are W. Mann of 317, president; R. Ferguson of 117, vice-president and treasurer; and Brother Stephen, moderator. In size, this activity ranks third only to the Track team and the *Jamesonian*.

Another book drive is being planned for Lent; and the members hope that this drive will be supported by the entire student body.

# PERSONALITIES

BILL BECKER

Commencing the Personality Parade this month is the campaign manager of the triumphant White Party, Vin Russo of Our Lady of Peace Parish, Lynbrook.



**VIN RUSSO**

Vin's activities include: cheerleaders, afternoon dance committee, senior activities (chairman of senior button contest), baseball team (manager), and student council (co-ordinator at basketball games and dances following).

His main interests center around baseball (the Mets), basketball (Loughlin), and folk music.

Come September, we may see Vin as a phys-ed major at St. Bonaventure's.

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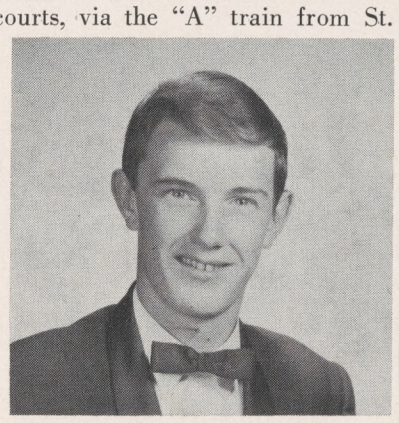
Now stepping into the *Jamesonian* limelight is Mike "The Crow" Rowland, 119's answer to "Tom Thumb". His six-five frame travels daily to the Loughlin basketball courts, via the "A" train from St. Mary Gate of Heaven Parish, Ozone Park, where he is an active member of the Junior Holy Name. Mike is the center, captain, and high scorer of Loughlin's quintet.



**MIKE ROWLAND**

In his spare time, this student councilor enjoys reading, and occasionally going to a movie.

After graduation Mike hopes to attend St. John's University, where he plans to major in pure math.

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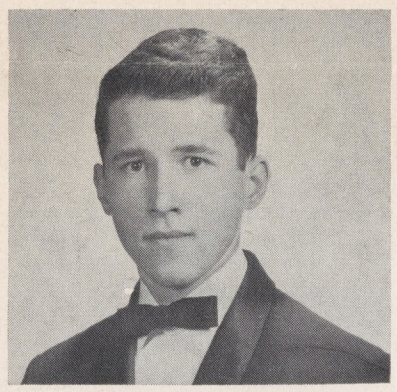
Next on our list is that distinguished member of the fourth estate, Ray Matthews. Presently a copy editor of the *Jamesonian*, Ray of St. Gregory the Great Parish, Bellerose, hopes to matriculate at Manhattan in search of a Liberal Arts degree.



**RAY MATTHEWS**

Ennumerated among his many activities are Benilde club (senior representative), LaSalle club, French club, afternoon dance committee and intramurals. He is also the proud possessor of seven "Silver L's".

Ray's hobbies include basketball, reading, and collegiate girls . . . (?). He was the star of the *Jamesonian* vs. *Loughlinite* basketball game.

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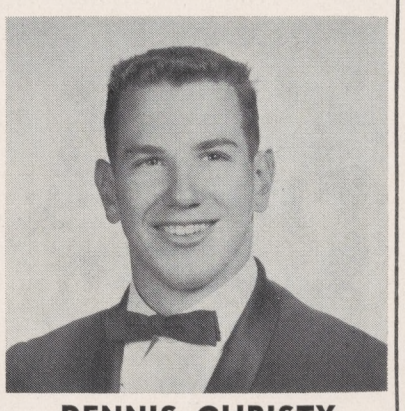
Synonomous at Loughlin with the word swimming is the name of Dennis Christy. Hailing from Sacred Heart Parish, Glendale, Den commutes to Loughlin daily via the Myrtle Ave. El (when it's running).

Den is really "in the swim," being, among other things, a C. Y. O. swimming coach, lifeguard, spearfisherman, and water skier. Den, the captain, holds the school record for the 100 yard backstroke. He was also chosen to the all-City team last year, and is undefeated this season in interscholastic competition.



**DENNIS CHRISTY**

Den hopes to procure an appointment to Annapolis where he'll pursue a career as a Navy officer.

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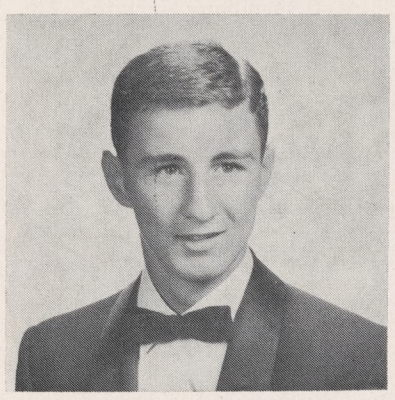
The student court is graced by the presence of our next personality, Andy Arenth of 116; he's seen every week rapping the gavel as chief justice of the court. Andy, a member of St. Aloysius Parish, Ridgewood, plays basketball in the C.Y.O. league.



**ANDY ARENTH**

Among his leisure time activities Andy lists swimming and listening to the radio (favorite: WMCA).

With seven "Gold L's", membership in the Leo Honor Society, and his athletic prowess to recommend him, Andy is aiming high with his college plans: he's hoping for an appointment to the Air Force Academy in Colorado, where he'll study math.

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# JUST IN JEST

According to historical records written by the late experts in the field, it seems we must accredit the discovery of America to a round headed Italian, who, to convince the squares of his day, sailed with his devoted followers, the Knights of Columbus, in an oversized gondola. Columbus, being an European was noted for being hot headed among other things. It was bad enough that he insisted he was in Indian, but when he opened a pizzeria in down town Brooklyn, the natives became red with anger. You see they were used to home cooking like bagles and locks. Columbus by this time was also angry and went around calling any red faced American he saw an Indian. This incensed Americans and they also resorted to name calling. Although it is true that we have no account of the verbal battle that ensued, except several dots and dashes, we can safely assume that whatever it was they must have called him, it must have been even more insulting, because Columbus, unable to match it, was forced to pack up his pizzas and head home. When last seen he was sailing his gondola up the streets of Venus in search of an all *land* route to India.

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# Letters To The Editors

Looking at the recent findings directly linking cigarette smoking, heart disease and lung cancer, your editorial was not a premature or unwarranted danger signal. It is encouraging to know that even before there was any official word as to the dangers of cigarette smoking, the unofficial word was convicing enough for the *Jamesonian* to take a stand in the interests of the student body.

William J. Kavanagh, 106.

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The paper is not only correct, but also very courageous in writing this editorial. Seniors are in danger of losing their smoking privileges as a result.

Despite the fact that the argument of the *Jamesonian* stands upon solid ground, I feel that the senior smoking privilege should remain.

The school should encourage the senior smoker to discontinue smoking at his own discretion. The senior smoker will only be antagonized if his privilege is suspended. He will be right in feeling so because the suspension of this privilege is an insult to his maturity. Nothing is more aggravating than to be told to do something that you had previously intended to do without being told.

Signed,
A concerned Senior
D.A.L.

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I was gratified to read the editorial on smoking in the *Jamesonian*. However, I do not agree with the proposal to deny seniors their smoking privileges. This would have the same effect Prohibition had—none. It would encourage smoking outside the school. I feel the solution is an eductional program on the effects of smoking. The rest is up to the will of the individual.

Anthony Giambalvo, 116.


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# *Graveyard - - -*

# *Marlboro Country*

You probably don't have the time to read this article. But, if you happen to have a spare moment, perhaps then we can save your reputation. We can, of course, promise nothing.

It seems that many well meaning adults, you know the kind, rough, tough and ancient have started the rumor that the American student is not only self centered, but according to them, unintelligent as well. Strange to say, this idea seems to have caught on.

In actuality, the student is far from self centered and is as sharp as anyone else. Sure, Americans have a world renowned reputation for being thickheaded. But, didn't that thickheadedness give us independence and make us superior to other nations in all respects. I am sure that no adult will argue, when I say the student is the most thickheaded of all Americans.

In December, the *Jamesonian* presented an editorial against smoking. It condemned the smoking at the lunch period, and went so far as to condemn every single butt, and ask for an all out effort to "stomp the stoggy." We are happy to report that everybody came through with sincerity and intelligence. In an effort to determine the student reaction to the editorial we asked that letters, perhaps even threats be sent to us. We are happy to announce, that the paper is still in business; you see, they praised our stand. Why, the national fact finding committee even presented their report to the nation, just to back us up.

Now, for you exceptions to student intelligence, better known as fat heads, swell heads or more generally termed, smokers, we have a comment. Take a second, light up a cigarette and watch the smoke rise. Inhale. Just five millimeters from your lips you hold a force as destructive as Pasteur's rabies, or the Koch tubercular germ. Some of you claim L&M will do the most for you, others say the Viceroy is best. Well, you might like to know that they all will do a great deal for you. They will coat your lungs a brilliant shade of black, and tickle your throat and then destroy you. Have another puff.

We are glad to inform you that you are now in the minority. We cannot exactly classify you as thinking men. But, then again I don't suppose smokers can be exactly called morons either. Is it their fault if they're stubborn (some say stupid), and won't realize there is a danger, certain danger in every single puff. Yes, it looks as if heart disease, chronic smokers cough, and if you will excuse the warning; cancer will be around a long time. No, you will continue to smoke. After all it is "the thing to do." But, the *Jamesonian* will do all it can to prevent you. However, what's the difference, you won't stop. Not until you are dead, that is. We, the *Jamesonian*,, renew our plea to the faculty to put an end to all smoking privileges, simply because they are destructive to student well being. We also thank all those who wrote to us and backed our efforts.

# Loughlin Cagers Finish Losing Season

## Lions Win Last Game Over St. Francis Prep

Since the pre-Christmas winning spurt of six games, the varsity basketball Lions have been unable to regain their earlier winning form until recently.

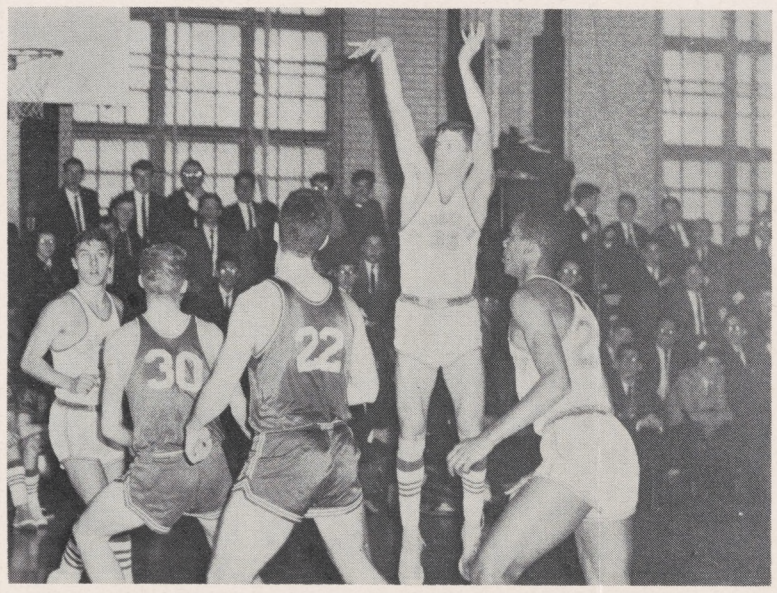
The new year proved disastrous for the purple 'n' gold, as they lost eight in a row, achieving victory only in February over weak Cathedral.

The Lions defeated St. Augustine and Xaverian by small margins in December, and finally found a winning combination of Rowland, Barden, Bennia, DiLorenzo, and Pastore, with help from Gillen and Smirnow. After easily defeating St. Francis by 19 points, the Lions posted their biggest win margin of 32 against Mater Christi.

### Place Second In Tourney

During the Christmas vacation, Loughlin again defeated Mater Christi by 31, in the Christian Brothers' Tourney. The Lions then went on to defeat St. Augustine and lose in the finals to LaSalle. Near perfect foul-shooting by LaSalle was the determing factor in the game. Ron Barden of Loughlin was selected to the tourney all-star team.

The next several games proved to be heart-breaking to the team and the fans. It all started with a 57-53 loss to McClancy. The following game saw the cagers trying to avenge a loss to the Brooklyn leaders, Brooklyn Prep. A missed desperation shot at the buzzer saw Loughlin on the short end, 65-64. Following two losses to St. John's Prep, the Lions suffered their biggest loss, 76-56, to league-leading Holy Cross. Before ending its woes, Loughlin was destined to lose two more close ones. The Lions again tried desperately to overcome a one point deficit with seconds to go against Trinity and St. Augustine, but were unable to beat the clock, losing 74-73 and 69-68, respectively. The long awaited victory came against Cathedral, 69-59.



Jack Romansic Pops In Two Against St. Francis.

### Lose to Chaminade

The Lions then travelled out to Mineola, Feb. 8, to play the rugged Flyers of Chaminade. Loughlin lost 74-57. The Lions couldn't hold down big Jim Kissane of Chaminade, as he scored 28, Mike Rowland had 19, and Warren Bennia, who was guarded by Kissane, scored 11 in a losing cause.

In the last game of the season, Loughlin hosted St. Francis Prep. They defeated the Little Terriers for the second time, 75-55. Mike Rowland and George Gillen both scored 22 points.

Loughlin finished the season with an overall 9-11 record.

Mike Rowland led the Loughlin scorers with a 19.0 average. This was good enough for a third place among the individual league scoring leaders, behind Tom McNeece of St. Augustine, and Rudy Bogad of Molloy. The other seniors who have played regularly are Ron Barden (13.3 average), Warren Bennia (8.0) and Richie DiLorenzo (5.2).

## INTRAMURALS

An extremely successful intramural bowling season was climaxed by the presentation of awards Friday, February 7. The victorious classes in each year were as follows: Frosh, League 1, 205A; League 11, 216D; League 111, 226A; Sophomore, League I, 411C; League II, 425A; Juniors, League 1, 310A; Seniors, League 1, 105A.

## J.V., Frosh Cagers Fare Poorly

Perhaps the biggest disappointment of this season was the poor showing of the JV after their excellent Freshman campaign of last year. To date their record is 4-10.

The Lions have been victorious over Brooklyn Prep 41-38, St. Augustine 52-49, Mater Christi 48-30, and McClancy 39-23, while dropping games to Molloy 74-39, Xaverian 52-41, St. Francis 65-60, St. John's Prep 53-30 and 55-48, Brooklyn Prep 51-38, Holy Cross 54-40. Trinity 84-71, St. Augustine 50-32 and Nazareth 58-38.

The frosh hoopsters have beaten St. Leonard's 35-29. Xaverian 42-40, Brooklyn Prep 36-34 and Bishop Ford 53-48, while losing to Nazareth 35-29 and 51-48, St. Francis, 57-55, Trinity 76-49, and St. Johns Prep 55-54.

# Tracksters Take 2nd In Bklyn-L.I. Meet

The Loughlin track team has yielded some outstanding performances and captured a sizeable amount of medals in their recent meets.

December 7, the Loughlin trackmen gained some CHSSA relay championships with more than thirty schools competing. The medley relay team of Al Leporati, John Gasparino, Jack O'Brien and Harry Nichter took first place with a time of 2:32.5, missing the meet record by a tenth of a second. Another first place was taken by the submidget 220 yd. relay team of Christ Fox, Joe Gavin, Henry Blount and William Markowski with 26.9 seconds.

The tenth annual Loughlin Games were held, December 14. The Lions placed fourth with eight points. The teams that bested Loughlin were Oceanside and White Plains, each with ten points, and New Brunswick with nine. Harry Nichter placed third in the 600 yd. high hurdles with 7.7 seconds. The 880 yd. relay team of Al Leporati, Matt Losciale, Jack O'Brien and John Gasparino took third place with the time of 1:34. In the non-scoring events, the novice mile relay team of John Egan, Gene Zambarda, Al Cockburn, and Mike Jenkins took fourth place. This performance puts them on the varsity team.

In special non-scoring events at the Long Island Frosh Championship, Harold Nichter took first in the 600 yard run and John Gasparino fourth in the 60 yard dash. Leporati, Tom Brennan, O'Brien and Bob Thomas composed the mile relay team which finished in second place with a 3:34.3 time.

At the Mayors Meet, on February 1st, Nichter came in second in the 600 yard run and Grant fourth in the 60 yard high hurdles. (From these results it can concluded that our lack of distance runners will be our greatest hindrance in the championships.)

A week later, in the Brooklyn-Long Island CHSAA Championships, Harry Nichter broke the meet record with a time of :51.6 in the 600 yd. run. The team placed second to Molloy.

## Frosh Track News—

The freshman track team came in second, with 35 points, to Molloy with 40 points, in the Long Island Frosh Championships, January 11. Twelve points were gathered in the 50 yard dash. In this event Rod Bennett, Nestor Colon, John Caldone and Chris Fox placed first, second, fourth and fifth, respectively. In the eight lb. shot put, Antonio Nieves took first with a toss of 48 ft. 2½ inches and Alfred Phillips took third with a 16 ft. 5 inch toss.

At Cardinal Hayes meet, January 18th, the Loughlin team placed first in the 880 yd. relay. The little Lions also won over St. John's, St. Francis, St. Augustine, Mater Christi and Bishop Reilly in meets.

## Lion Keglers Fight For Playoff Berth

Coming down the homestretch of the bowling season, the keglers of Loughlin are struggling for a berth in the play-offs.

The varsity team, which has climbed from the cellar in the standings into championship contention, has set a new Catholic School pin total of 1794 for a 10 game match, surpassing the previous high of 1761 held by St. John's. The final standing of the team will be determined by the important games with St. Francis, Feb. 25, and St. Leonard's, Mar. 3.

### J. V. Battling for Berth

Things are also looking good for the J. V. team. After facing a rough first-half schedule it now must continue its consistency while the other contenders knock each other out of the race, if it wishes to get in the playoff.

## LOUDSPEAKER

CHARLIE HANLEY

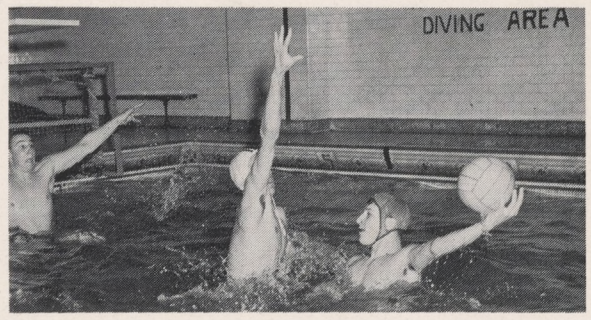
A little something about basketball: First, let me get rid of the sour grapes. The varsity cagers outscored their opponents in total points, even though the team finished the season below .500. The individual averages show the amazing balance of the squad. Despite Mike Rowland's fine 19 point average, Loughlin was not a superstar's one-man show. (We feel that Mike performed surprisingly well and we will look with interest to the various All-Star selections.) Lastly, the team simply did not have the breaks—three one-point losses, and two-pointer. Certainly, however, the losing record must be attributed to something. This something might have been an unsatisfactory defense, the inability to press or just the inability to score. It could also have been something intangible: a dwindling morale due to constant losing. . . . Now that the season is over, we think that recognition ought to be given to the faithful cult which attended most of the games. . . . Although this has been an anticlimactic basketball year for the seniors, after three play-off participating seasons, the underclassmen can look forward to next year. George Gillen, Fred Pastore, Joe McCarthy, Jack Romansic and Bill Mullins promise a berth next year. . . . It seems that the *Jamesonian* was challenged to another basketball game by the *Loughlinite* and has once again beaten the yearbook people. . . . It's water polo time and the enthusiasm that has been whipped up is really unbelieveable. The team has had all sorts of fabulous publicity because it is a fabulous team. Team members have been honored, coach Benvenuto has been honored, and the team is featured in an article in some obscure magazine. . . . Go out and see these guys play. . . . There is dissension among the track ranks concerning the coverage afforded by the *Jamesonian* to that sport. A few freshmen (16) have petitioned us, asking for a most favored sport treatment of their achievements. *Ergo*, the fine and well deserved story Hal Nichter, *et al.*, have received in this issue.

# *Mermen About To Enter Water Polo Season*

## Aqua-Lions Windup Swimming Competition

With the interscholastic swimming season rapidly approaching its end, the Loughlin swimmers are anxiously awaiting the start of water polo competition. This year's will be composed largely of last season's members.

Expected to pace Loughlin's water polo crew are Bill Harris and Charlie Gulotta. Both were members of the team which last year leveled all opposition to win the East Coast Interscholastic Championship, overcoming in the process several college teams. Harry Benvenuto, coach of both the swimming and water polo teams, was chosen "Sectional Coach of the Year" by *Water Polo News*, a nationally published periodical.




Jim Mottle and Charlie Gulotta Sharpen Up Their Game.

The Lions have competed in several meets recently. Rice managed to better the Loughlin men, 48-47, in a closely contested dual meet. Dennis Christy placed first in the 200 yd. freestyle event; Jim Quinn thrashed his way to first place in the 100 yd. breaststroke; and the first place for diving in this meet went to Dennis Flynn.

### Lions Win Three

Against Cardinal Hayes High School, the Aqua-Lions won a 62-33 victory. Bill Haggerty won the individual medley, sixteen seconds ahead of the competition, while Chris Jones won his event, the 200 yd. freestyle, with a considerable lead.

The Loughlin swimmers won by virtue of a single point, 48-47, defeating Brooklyn Prep. Although our relay teams fared poorly in this meet, the first places that were achieved managed to pull the Lions ahead for the victory.

Another win was chalked up by the purple 'n' gold in a meet with Holy Cross. Loughlin garnered a first place through the efforts of the 160 yd. freestyle relay team, composed of Gulotta, Haggerty, Schriefels, and Christy.

### Lose To St. John's

Next, St. John's Prep stopped the Lions in their tracks by topping the Loughlinites with a final score of 42-53. In this meet, the victory of even our relay team, and individual first places by Flynn, Gulotta, and Haggerty, were not sufficient to reverse the outcome.

Upcoming water polo meets will be held in April against the plebes of West Point, and the Yale freshmen at the neighborhood Y.M.C.A.

Feb. 14, the Loughlin swimming team was defeated by Brooklyn Prep in an effort to gain a berth in the CHSAA city championships.

## Seniors and Juniors Formulate Projects In Chemistry Club

"Class not quantity," was the determining factor in the formation of the Chemistry Club, said Brother Benedict Philip, moderator of the newly organized Chemistry Club. The organization has a twofold purpose: first, to enable students to better prepare and develop good science projects for entry into the Catholic High School and City science fairs; secondly, to prepare those students who will continue their activities in the club to learn laboratory technology, build representative projects and perhaps qualify as lab technicians.

The activity has two major divisions: the senior composite and the junior section.

New members of Chem Club.

The lab is available to those seniors who are working on their own projects, in order to perform any complicated operations without confusion and possible damage at home. Out of forty candidates, only nine senior students, selected by their mid-term marks, were entitled to membership.

**Junior Division**

The fifteen juniors of the club's second division were also selected by their grades. In the Club, the juniors are acquainted with the apparatus and shown some of the various procedures used in the lab. The club incites them to start projects of their own, to seek counsel when in doubt and perform the experiments required by the subject matter.

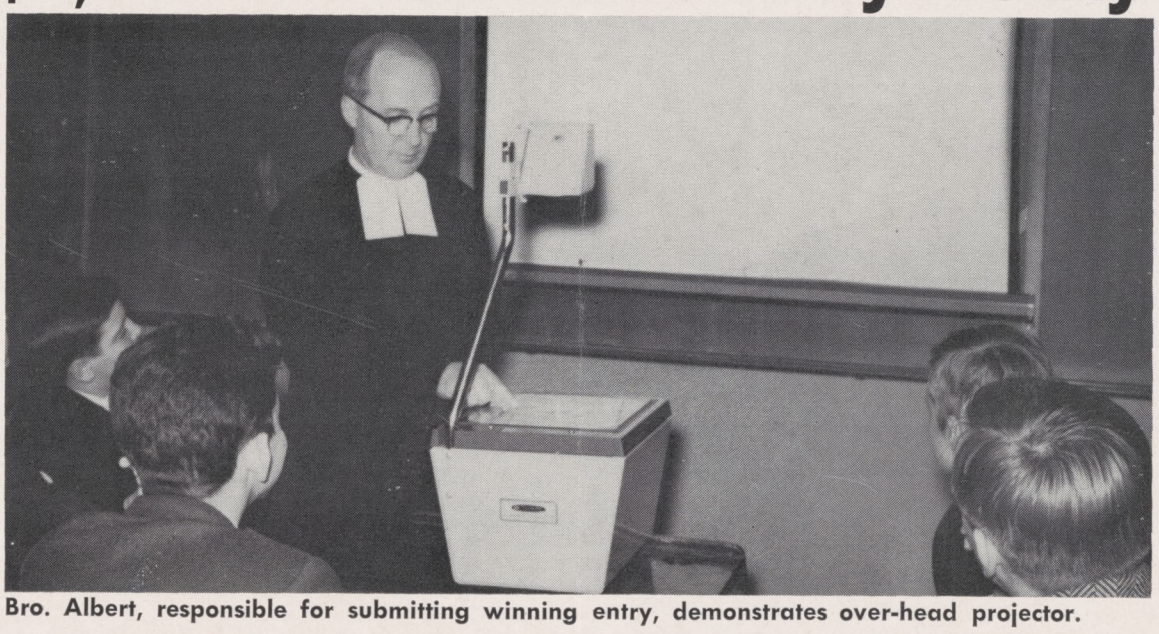
## *Students Volunteer For Hospital Work*

Several Loughlin students, having donated both time and effort in voluntary community work, have recently received recognition for their services.

Two juniors, Joseph Saur, 312, and Joseph Velardi, 326, have distinguished themselves as volunteer hospital workers. Joseph Saur spent this past summer working in the emergency ward of St. Vincent's Hospital for a total of 348 hours, while Joseph Velardi works after school during the year as an assistant in the bacteriology and chemistry departments of Beth-El Hospital. Averaging twelve hours a week, he has put in well over two hundred hours already this year. Although their only tangible reward has been a gold pin awarded upon the completion of one hundred hours of hospital work, the boys feel that the experience gained will be beneficial to them.

More recently the Esquires, a band composed of Loughlin stuents, spent the evening of Jan. 25 entertaining a full auditorium of patients of Elmhurst General Hospital. The volunteers were Ralph Finno, 125, their singer and emcee, the drummer Martin Mooney, 105, guitarists Michael Kozma, 125, Shawn Cannon, 315, and on the saxaphone, Robert Venezia, 314.

# $3,000 In Visual Aids Won By Faculty



Bro. Albert, responsible for submitting winning entry, demonstrates over-head projector.

Having entered a contest sponsored by the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company in September, our school, along with five hundred other schools throughout the United States, won visual communications equipment valued at three thousand dollars.

The award package, a special teacher training-workshop in the operation of the visual communications system, includes ten classroom overhead projectors, one portable overhead projector, two four-second transparency makers (these machines produce transparencies in four seconds from a variety of source materials such as newspaper clippings, students' homework or class assignments), three thousand one hundred sheets of transparency film and five hundred sheets of Thermo-Fax copy paper.

Winners were selected on the basis of a written proposal submitted by the principal with the aid of the department heads, which described the techniques of employing visual aids in the classroom now and in the future.

All schools, parochial, private and public, on all levels, elementary, secondary and college, were eligible. Throughout the metropolitan area there were twenty-seven other winners.

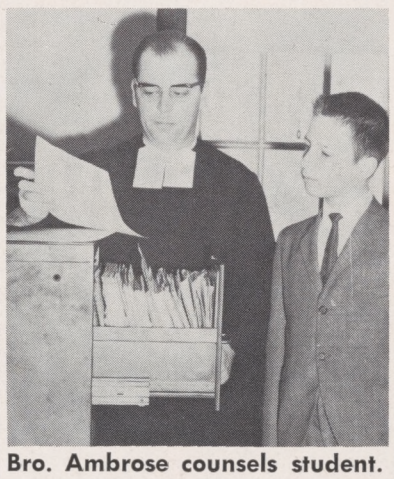
The Three M Company announced this contest hoping to encourage creative teaching across the country and with the further hope that each of the schools would become a teaching laboratory where new teaching techniques could be developed. In speaking about the contest, the company president emphasized that the program was based on the conviction that the teacher is and must remain the dominant force in education, and that all classroom equipment should be designed to help the teacher do a better job. "The Three M Company hopes that our grant program will further the process along by helping more teachers to discover new ways to motivate and inform their students."

## Faculty Focus
## Bro. Ambrose Stephen

Michael Tesoriere

Upon graduation from La Salle Academy in Providence, Rhode Island, Brother Ambrose entered the Christian Brothers in June, 1950. He attended the Catholic University of America and Manhattan College where he received his Bachelor of Social Science degree.

His first assignment was La Salle School for neglected and dependent young men in Albany. He served six years on the staff of La Salle as a teacher and later as first



Bro. Ambrose counsels student.

prefect. A prefect in such an institution, Brother Ambrose was in charge of forty young men virtually twenty four hours a day. In interviewing Brother Ambrose, we put to him the question of what constitutes a prefect's aims in such work. To this he responded that: "The main job of a prefect in an institution is to guide an individual boy through his formative years: to help this boy meet the necessary problems of rehabilitation and guide him in making the right decisions which society will demand of him. This is a very difficult task since an institution is not the boy's own home and the staff are not his parents. There is a role in every boy's life that belongs to his parents and this role can be played by someone else only with extreme difficulty, if at all." In spite of these difficulties Brother did state that he spent six happy and rewarding years at La Salle. "The reward comes," said Brother Ambrose, "when a young man in need of understanding, acceptance and responsibilities actually progresses under the care of the Brothers."

In September, 1958, Brother was assigned to Bishop Loughlin as a history teacher and part-time guidance counselor. Most of his duties in guidance have been on the freshman level where he works with the homeroom teachers in guiding underclassmen with their problems of adjusting to high school.

Brother will receive a Master of Arts degree in guidance and counseling in June of this year from Manhattan College. At present, Brother Ambrose holds membership in the American Personnel and Guidance Association, the National Catholic Guidance Association, and the Brooklyn Catholic Guidance Council Association.

## Math Team Aims For Fifth Straight Win In St. Francis Test

Eight members of the Math Team will defend Loughlin's championship in the Sixth Annual St. Francis College Competitive Examination in Mathematics, on March 17.

The St. Francis College Math Contest is open to all Catholic Boys High Schools in the Diocese of Brooklyn. Each school is allowed to send eight delegates to comprise a team. The total of the top five scores of each team is used to determine the winner of the team trophy. Besides team competition, the boys also compete for individual prizes. The boy with the highest score receives a full scholarship to St. Francis.

Under the guidance of Brother Charles Michael, the Math Team has been instructed in the intricacies of Plane Geometry, Trigonometry and Advanced Algebra.

## SENIOR MIND

MICHAEL MOLLOY

Civil rights for minorities, equal employment and wages for women, and the extension of the voting franchise by the elimination of the poll tax in national elections, have all confronted us within the past year; but only a slight ripple ran through the country as a result of a congressional committee's report on the extension of the franchise to eighteen-year olds.

The main argument of the opponents of this extension is that maturity is not reached until one attains his twenty-first birthday. While this might be true along physical lines, along political lines, however, this delay between high school and voting age only leads to greater laxity at the polls. When a student completes his high education he is often better prepared to evaluate candidates and their respective platforms than his elders; in addition, he is often more eager to investigate the candidate due to his knowledge of current events learned in his history classes. He tends to grow lax in his keeping abreast with world affairs, since he feels that he can do nothing about shaping his countries' foreign policy until he is twenty-one. Therefore, by the time he reaches voting age, he has lost most of his interest in politics. The congressional committee held this situation as a major factor in voter apathy.

It is well to remember that during World War II thousands of soldiers died for their country, whose right to vote was not yet recognized.

## Student Congress Revises Constitution

R. Giurlando, D. La Magna & J. Jablonowski review new constitution.

Under the auspices of Brother Christopher Denis, Senior Moderator, and the leadership of Dal La Magna, chairman of the Student Council Congress, a new constitution for the Student Council has been drafted. The action was deemed necessary to form a stronger bond "between seniors and their underclassmen" and to meet the changing needs of the student body. These goals will be accomplished by the redefining of the role of the student council, rules of the school, student court, procedure of elections and the issuing of summonses. More specifically, however, it will strive to give the underclassmen an influential voice in the government of the school.

Several weeks ago an outline was drawn for the constitution. Each class was then asked to send its representative to the Student Council Congress. Having been familiarized with the new document, each president was asked to present it to his class. Suggestions will be sought and the representative will bring them before the Congress. Those that are accepted will become amendments to the constitution.